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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Crisis Looming?

When M. Mollet returned from Moscow earlier this week he knew that the price of continued Communist support for his Government in the National Assembly was an "adequate solution" to the Algerian problem. His Russian hosts, fairly perhaps, might have denied any breach of their pledge of non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries since they were speaking for the French Communist Party which, in the Assembly, is one leg of the tripod supporting the Mollet Government.

Up to now the Communist deputies have shown exemplary patience in approving the Mollet policy which aims at beating the rebels to their knees before negotiations for political reforms begin. Patience is the price the Communists pay for the hope of a popular front. Now M. Mendes-France sees the writing on the wall—the Communists are exploiting his own view of the need for simultaneous talks with Algerian moderates—and to avoid appearing to follow them later over their expected disavowal of the Mollet policy, he has made the first move.

ESSENTIALLY it is a move to keep his political record unsullied by any Communist entanglements. Credit the erstwhile Mr. France with prudence—but it would be unfair to him to suggest that he sees no farther than a possible Communist switch of tactics. M. Mollet, at the moment, is chaperoned by a useful number of conscientious Conservative deputies to make his left-wing associations in parliament appear a little more respectable to the world outside. This second leg of the tripod on the right, which really cares not a jot for the Socialists, is expected to remove itself just as soon as the Communists abandon hope of a popular front. This would leave M. Mollet with just one leg—his own centre blue—on which to attempt a precarious balancing act. M. Mendes-France apparently does not care for his chances of surviving. Partly then, his manoeuvre is to protest against policy, and he thus remains consistent in the attitude he adopted over Tunisia and Morocco; partly, he has neatly avoided a Communist snare, and he has also freed himself to work for a more decisive role in the next Government than the ministry without portfolio with which he has been so hampered in the present one.

AS for M. Mendes-France's Algerian policy he believes that fighting without negotiations with moderate Moslems is a policy of abandonment. The Communist deputies are at the moment harping on the same chord and are probably wondering now whether their duty would appeal to a France, rather tired of discordant choirs. Admittedly M. Mendes-France and the Communists harmonise well on the RIF Song but beyond that their repertoire is very limited. Is the aspiring Mr. France likely to be tempted? A new tripod, and worse still a two-legged coalition with the Communists, would have only one inevitable ending—the subjugation of the weaker by the stronger. M. Mendes-France seeks not only his own political salvation but also the triumph of the Republic. He can do neither with the Communists. His first task is to look for as many "legs" as possible, to wangle the biggest and most secure coalition of all whose primary task will be self-extinction on completion of a new constitution designed to abolish the horror of political tripods forever.

# TERRORISTS STRIKE AGAIN

## Troops Ambushed In Nicosia: One Dead BOMB ATTEMPT AT MEETING

Nicosia, May 23.

Extremists ambushed a security patrol and killed one British soldier in a sharp exchange of fire in the Paphos district tonight.

The patrol, travelling in a military vehicle, was fired on by extremists in well-hidden positions. The patrol returned the fire. One of the British soldiers was shot dead. Troops pressed a hunt for extremists in the area. The soldier was the 33rd member of the security forces to die since the Cypriot extremists began their campaign of violence. Earlier, quick-moving police pounced on a Greek Cypriot youth as he attempted to bomb an open-air public inquiry meeting. The inquiry was into Monday's bombings. A British soldier died in the violence on Monday.

### A Scolding

Thrill police whistles and the crack of a gunshot interrupted evidence before the Nicosia Commissioner. Mr. Martin Clemens, Mr. Clemens was scolding local Cypriots for their failure to help a dying soldier and 12 other persons wounded in the bombings here two days ago. It was reported that a Greek shopkeeper noted the youth

### Now They Fear For Harding

London, May 23. The British authorities fear that Cypriot terrorists might make an attempt to assassinate the Cyprus Governor, Sir John Harding, during his visit to London in two weeks, informed sources said today. A Greek merchant of Crete has put a price of £30,000 on Harding's head after the British Government had offered a reward of £10,000 for the capture of a man suspected of being the chief of the Cypriot "EOKA" terrorist organisation.

There are nearly 40,000 Cypriots in London—more than there are in Nicosia, the capital of Cyprus. Scotland Yard has already placed extra guards around Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, the principal members of his Government, and the Duke of Edinburgh, following reports that several terrorists have arrived in Britain from Cyprus.

### Tragic Death Of John B. Sainsbury

London, May 23. John B. Sainsbury, 85-year-old chairman of a multi-million dollar British food store chain, fell to his death today from a fourth floor window of a London clinic.

His pyjama-clad body narrowly missed persons waiting at a bus stop. He was killed instantly. Sainsbury had been a patient at a London clinic since March after he was taken ill while returning from a South American vacation in the liner Argentina Star.

The chain of food stores and supermarkets he headed included 250 stores in London and the provinces. He was the son of the founder of the business, John James Sainsbury.—United Press.

### SANDYS IN KIEV

Moscow, May 23. The British Minister of Housing and Local Government, Mr. Duncan Sandys, and his wife, who are on a visit to the Soviet Union, arrived in Kiev today, Tass, the Soviet news agency, reported.—Reuter.

planting the home-made bomb and alerted the police. Plainclothesmen showed the boy roughly into a jeep and drove him off. Mr. Clemens told local shopkeepers and residents, who had been herded into the well-guarded "Old Women's Market", that no one had volunteered information on Monday's bombings. "Some of you must have seen these barbarians," he said. "Some of you were on balconies egging on illegal demonstrations. But no one has come forward with information."

He complained bitterly that few had helped the wounded. "Very few of you offered any aid to wounded and dying men—British and Cypriot—despite the fact that there were numerous doctors and druggists in the vicinity."

"Some are doctors who rush to me for curfew passes to visit the sick," he said. The crowd shuffled uneasily as an interpreter translated. British soldiers and plainclothesmen mingled with the silent crowd during Mr. Clemens' 45-minute speech.

### Give No Aid

Four young British soldiers told the Commissioner how, as their comrades lay bleeding, the street shapers rolled down in their faces and bystanders

stared into alleyways or peered fearfully from windows. A druggist came forward to describe how he rushed out to help a wounded soldier and sent his young assistant to help another who subsequently died. "My assistant came back covered with blood," he said. He then charged that the assistant was arrested yesterday and put in prison. He pointed to a plainclothesman leaning against a pillar in the market-place.

"That man in the shirt told him, follow me." At this point, police whistles and the sound of a shot interrupted his evidence as police discovered the bomb thrower. Half the audience rushed to see what was happening.

### Scribbling Ban

Mr. Clemens continued the inquiry after the bomb thrower was taken away, but adjourned it when a druggist began a political speech. The government today banned anti-British wall scribbling and announced registration of all Cypriots, to help root out underground extremists.

An order signed by the Governor, Sir John Harding, made it illegal for anyone to scrawl slogans on walls. It also requires owners of property to remove such slogans immediately, on notice from police. —United Press.

### She Arrives Today



Miss Martine Carol, popular and talented French film star, now on a visit to the Far East, is seen above. Miss Carol is due to arrive in Hongkong this evening by air from Singapore where she has been the toast of the town. —France-Press Photo.

### Parachute Record

Rio de Janeiro, May 23. French woman parachutist Colette Duval today set a new world free jumping record here in leaping from a height of 12,000 metres (about 39,400 feet) and opening her parachute at a height of 250 metres (about 810 feet). The free jump without parachute lasted four minutes and 35 seconds. Mademoiselle Duval, who is well known in France as a mannequin, failed in a bid to be elected to the French National Assembly last January. —France-Press.

### IT WASN'T MEANT TO BE QUOTED

## Truman And That "Squirrel-Headed General" Quip

Naples, May 23.

Former President Harry S. Truman said today he was sorry about the "very embarrassing situation" created by published reports of his statement that "some squirrel-headed general" ordered the invasion of Salerno in 1943.

He reiterated a denial issued earlier by his secretary, Eugene Bailey, that he had ever made such a statement. "I would make no comment like that," Truman told newsmen. "I'd been listening to the conversation of several people who had been there. I am sorry about it but it's a very embarrassing situation and I hope you'll clear it up."

"I do not want to embarrass anybody, especially the people who are with me and reporting on me. I never scold anybody when things don't go straight, though I wish you would clear it up."

On a visit to Salerno yesterday, Truman was asked why

the Allied forces had chosen a point which has high hills overlooking its beaches as an invasion site. "Oh, some squirrel-headed general," Truman replied in an off-hand manner. The "squirrel-head" remark was reported by both the United Press and the Associated Press, which have American staff correspondents following Truman.

Truman's statement this afternoon, in effect, placed the disputed remark in the context of an unstudied and off-the-cuff quip made in the course of a general conversation with reporters at a sidewalk cafe. —United Press.

## LIM MAY SUCCEED MARSHALL

Singapore, May 24.

Vernon Bartlett, political commentator of the Straits Times, said today Mr. David Marshall, Chief Minister of Singapore, might resign in favour of his Minister for Labour and Welfare, Mr. Lim Yew-hock. Mr. Lim, who returned to Singapore yesterday, was Mr. Marshall's chief lieutenant at the unsuccessful London talks on the Colony's independence.

### Liner Goes Aground

Melbourne, May 24. The 28,700-ton British liner Orsova has run aground in Port Phillip Bay, about 30 miles south of Melbourne, with 450 passengers aboard.

The Orsova, the world's first mastless liner, was bound for Sydney from London. Efforts are to be made at high tide at noon today to refloat her.

The Orsova, owned by the Orient Line, cost £20,000,000 sterling and made her maiden voyage in the spring of 1954. She carries a crew of 642.

He said there were rain squalls in the area at the time. —Reuter.

### Surrey Village Just Saved From Destruction

Homebury St Mary, Surrey, May 23. British troops and a shifting wind stopped a raging forest fire just feet short of this picture postcard village today.

Troops were rushed in to support firemen battling the fire that roared and crackled through the Surrey Downs, a favourite beauty spot left under-dry by Britain's current drought. A wall of fire two miles wide swept down a hill toward the cluster of picturesque villages known as "Little Switzerland".

More than 100 firemen with their equipment fought frantically to control the blaze. Scores of villagers beat at the fire along with the firemen. A call for help went out and 200 soldiers were rushed from nearby barracks to join the battle. The fire raged to within 15 feet of the first houses of the village before the wind shifted and drove the flames back. Firemen, troops and townspeople finished the job. —United Press.

### "I JUST CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE THERE"

## England Has Seen The Last Of Me Says Noel Coward

Paris, May 23.

The British actor, Noel Coward, said today that he expected some sort of hullabaloo about his refusal to set foot in England again, "because I am me".

Mr. Coward refused to leave the French liner Liberté when she was in Southampton last week because he faces a £25,000 tax payment if he sets foot in England this year. His action touched off a hue and cry in the British press.

Mr. Coward told the United Press in his suite at one of Paris' plush hotels, "One just can't afford to live in England these days."

"I am lucky because I carry my factory around in my head and can write anywhere. I have a place in England with a 14-acre garden and five gardeners, and I think the last year I spent only two or three weekends there."



NOEL COWARD

"My dear chap, it's just not worth it. I know when I made this decision that the cheaper press would raise some sort of

hullabaloo, but that is only to be expected because I am me."

"Plenty of people would do the same thing and one would never hear a word about it."

"But my reasons are very simple and I'm perfectly open about them. If an industrialist is ill, he goes on drawing his dividends. But if I am sick, I am finished, and I don't get anything."

"So I just decided I had to start putting some money away for my old age and made the decision to live in the Colonies, but of course to retain my British nationality."

Speaking in the throaty voice which made him famous, Mr. Coward said he would spend another week in Paris and then go on to the Riviera, back to New York, and then to his new house in Bermuda. He said: "Bermuda is a lovely place. No taxes at all." —United Press.

## TRANS-SHIPPED GOODS ILLEGALLY TO HK

Washington, May 23.

The Bureau of Foreign Commerce of the Commerce Department announced today that Florent M. L. Schrijvers, an exporter-importer of Antwerp, Belgium, has been denied all United States export privileges for two years of alleged unlawful trans-shipment of US-origin boric acid to Hongkong.

The Bureau said that the denial order became effective on May 21, but provides that US export privileges shall be restored to Schrijvers after three months on condition that he commit no further violation of US export controls.

The Bureau charged that Schrijvers certified, in support of an export licence, application submitted by the US supply firm, for 50 tons of boric acid,

that the material was for use in Belgium and would not be disposed of in any other manner without advance approval from the Bureau. It said that it relied on those assurances and granted the licence, but that after Schrijvers received the boric acid at Antwerp in March, 1955, he trans-shipped all but six tons to Hongkong, without notifying the Bureau. —United Press.

### Grenade Injures 14

Penang, May 23.

Fourteen Chinese, seven of them women, were injured when a home-made grenade exploded in front of a Chinese newsvendor's shop here tonight.

The chief of Penang's criminal investigation department, Mr. E. H. Harris, said tonight he believed the grenade was thrown by Communist terrorists.

An eyewitness told the police shortly before the explosion he saw two cyclists, dressed in white shirts and black trousers, near the shop. One of the cyclists, using an object at the shop, the eyewitness said, —United Press.

### But They'll Get There Just The Same

## Reservists Hold Up Train's Journey

Paris, May 23.

Young reservists fired pistols and threw a grenade when they swarmed out of a troop train in a demonstration against being sent to fight in Algeria.

The grenade exploded harmlessly on an open ground near the railway and no one was hurt by the pistol shots, which were fired into the air.

The 24-coach troop train, which began a start-stop journey to Marseilles at Mourmelon today in a demonstration against being sent to fight in Algeria, left Dijon after 20 minutes only to be held up again briefly near Beaune by reservists operating the emergency brakes.

### FOUR DELAYS

So far the train, carrying about 1,000 reservists has been held up four times by the young soldiers pulling the communication cord, disconnecting the carriage couplings, and dispersing into nearby bars.

When the train arrived today at a station on the eastern outskirts of Dijon reservists pulled the communication cord and swarmed on to the station and into local bars. Police stood by, but did not intervene, and the men got back into the train in response to appeals from the local Army Commander.

The pistol shots were fired and the grenade thrown as the reservists made their way back to the train.

### DISCONNECTED

Before continuing the journey railway officials disconnected the automatic brake from the communication cord but at Croix-Seigny, near Beaune, the train stopped again.

Someone had operated the emergency brakes by hand. Again the reservists jumped down on to the track, and the train stopped for three quarters of an hour.

During new incidents the train is expected early tomorrow to reach Marseilles, where the reservists will embark for Algeria.—Reuter.

### Billy Rose To Wed

New York, May 23. The Broadway producer, Billy Rose, and the blonde showgirl, Joyce Mathews, who once slashed her wrists in his apartment, obtained a marriage licence today but declined to disclose their wedding plans. —United Press.



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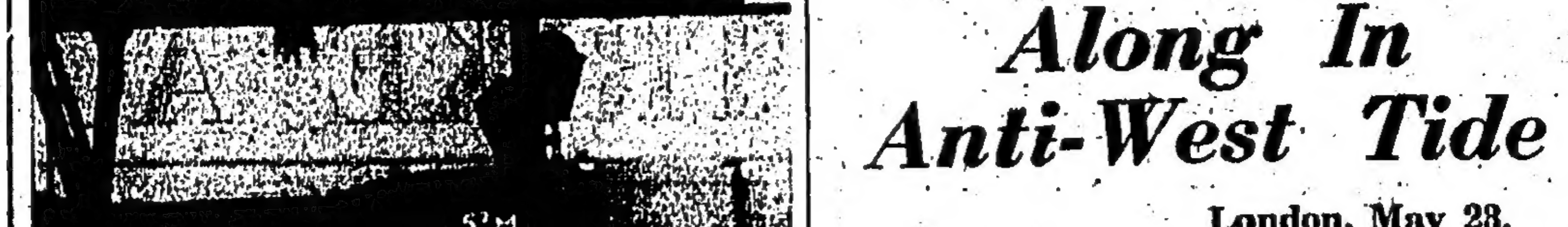
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# JORDAN PREMIER FACING

## NEW CRISIS

### Hussein Swept Along In Anti-West Tide



Queen Juliana of the Netherlands is shown round a crowd during her visit last week to the southwestern area of Holland.—Express Photo.

London, May 23.  
The Foreign Office said today that no arrangements had been made for discussion with Jordan on revision or clarification of the 1948 Anglo-Jordan treaty which is due to run for 25 years.

Said Mutfi who became Jordan Premier for the third time last weekend, was reported from Amman yesterday to be seeking "clarification" of the treaty.

He said he would also seek amendments requiring Britain to supply the amount of the annual British subsidy to Jordan and also for payments to be made to the Jordan Treasury instead of to the Arab Legion as at present.

#### Facing Crisis

The Foreign Office said that there had been no discussions on this matter since last April when, after the dismissal of General Glubb Pasha, the question of payments to the Arab Legion was raised.

"There have been no further arrangements for discussions," a spokesman said.

Meanwhile British Press reports from Amman indicated that the Mutfi was already facing up to a fresh crisis involving Jordan's young King Hussein.

All the reports said that King Hussein is showing signs of being swept along with the rising tide of anti-British and anti-Western feeling and that pro-British national socialists in Jordan are making things difficult for Mutfi.

The Daily Mail's Middle East correspondent said Mutfi might prove to be only "a stop-gap" until King Hussein collects his wits.

## Malayan Minister Against Bases

Kuala Lumpur, May 23.

Malaya's Minister for Agriculture, Inche Abdul Aziz Bin Ishak, said in an article published here today he would continue to oppose the setting up of military bases in Malaya.

"To set up military base is to attract war, not to avoid it," he stated.

Writing in the latest issue of an official quarterly magazine of the War Resisters International with headquarters in London, Inche Aziz said:

"I abhor colonialism and militant communism because both seek domination of people by force and both I think are the greatest enemies to freedom and to peace in the world today."

"Though colonialism in Malaya is on its way out, we have to be on our guard against those powers that will drag us into war to serve their own ends."

"There is no real victory for anyone in a war. It only creates bitterness, hatred and unending problems for the victors no less than the vanquished," Inche Aziz stated.—Reuter.

#### Be On Guard

Capetown, May 23.

Sheep farmers at Lindesay, near Riversdale, in the Cape Province, are putting their lambs in lambs' clothing to fox their ewes.

Because there are more twins and triplets this year than ever before the farmers face the problem of rearing the many lambs that cannot be fed by their own mothers.

Whenever there are ewes whose own lambs have died, the dead lambs are skinned and the skins are used to cover other lambs before giving them to their new mothers.

After a few days the skins are removed and the adopted lamb and the step-mother are happy.—China Mail Special.

## ORPHAN LAMBS In Lambs' Clothing

Not 'Nasserite'

"But it is not yet clear whether such demands have been dropped or merely postponed," the Telegraph said.

It said Mutfi was probably not a "Nasserite" but, the editorial concluded, "the pressure upon him to become one is still strong and it can only be hoped that the new Cabinet symbolises more than an ephemeral resistance."—United Press.

## WANTS LONGER PARLIAMENTS

Wellington, May 23.

A plea for longer parliaments was made by Mr. G. H. Swan, retiring president of the Wellington Chamber of Commerce in an address at its annual meeting.

Mr. Swan expressed the view that under the present system the first year after an election, speaking broadly, was spent by a government in settling into office.

The second year was when the work was done, and the third when most of the emphasis was given to the coming election.

"I believe we should extend the life of our Parliaments to four years as a major step towards stability," he said.—China Mail Special.

#### ACTOR'S WILL

Hollywood, May 23.

The estate of late actor Louis Calhern, valued at \$37,000, has been left to his divorced wife, Marianne Stewart Calhern, his will disclosed today.

The actor's will, filed in the Superior Court yesterday, also asked that his ex-wife be named executrix.

Calhern died in Tokyo on May 12.—United Press.

## CHRIST AND BUDDHA WERE THE SAME PERSON, ACCORDING TO MONK

Calcutta, May 23.

Jesus Christ and Gautama Buddha were one and the same person, Buddha being known as the Christ in Western countries, according to the theory of a monk-teacher at India's Viveka Baharati University.

In a thesis published today, the result of eight years' study, Swami Sankarananda says that a Singhalese Buddhist Saint, Thera Mahavakkhita, converted to Greece and converted 170,000 people to Buddhism during the early days of the religion.

Sankarananda claims the name Jesus is a linguistic deformation of "Jahnu", one of Buddha's names. Both the word Buddha and the Greek form of Christ "Khristos" mean "Enlightened One" or "Cultivated Soul," he says.

The thesis underlines similarities between the lives of Christ and Buddha; both were born while their mothers were travelling, both were tempted—Buddha by the evil spirit "Mara", Christ by Satan.

Sankarananda claims that 1,000 of Saint Thera Mahavakkhita's converts to Buddhism in Greece wandered throughout Europe spreading the new religion.

He said the Singhalese Buddhist book, the "Mahavamsa", mentions many Greek "Bhikkhus"—Buddhist monks—but does not contain any reference to Christianity—indicating that there was no distinct religion.

He stresses similar religious observances between Christianity and Buddhism; religious councils, baptism in early Buddhism; similar methods of purification and renunciation of worldly things by monks of the two faiths.—France-Press.

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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, May 23.  
The No. 1 Raw rubber futures contract today closed 35 to 50 points lower with sales of 150 contracts.

The standard contract closed 35 to 50 points lower with sales of five contracts.

The lower trend reflected London cables, plus the continued lack of factory buying interest and smaller consumption estimate for April.

Shipment offering on sheets were moderate, coming from Indonesia, Malaysia, Siam and Indonesia, but at prices about 1/2 cent a pound over a domestic parity.

Dealers said preliminary trade estimates indicated April domestic consumption of natural and synthetic of around 120,000 tons, off 10,000 from March.

Spot No. 1 Raw was quoted nominally 29 1/2 cents a pound.

Futures.

No. 1 Raw	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40
28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40
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Standard contract

May	July	Sept.	Dec.
28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40
28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40
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SINGAPORE

The market was weaker in morning on covering of near shipment. It eased off during the afternoon on selling and poor factory interest.

No. 1 rubber per lb.	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40	28 40
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LONDON

The market was easy with spot at 24 1/2 pence per lb.

No. 1 Raw spot	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
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General markets, etc.	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
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United Press

## NEW YORK METAL FUTURES

Prices of metal futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Lead	May	July	Sept.	Dec.
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United Press

## DOWN, DOWN, DOWN IN SEARCH OF OIL

New York, May 23.

An oil company recently announced simply the recovery of oil from a depth of between 21,443 and 21,465 ft.

This is the greatest depth yet at which oil is being produced—exceeding the previous record by some 4,000 ft.

Although the 20,000 ft mark has now several times been exceeded in test drilling, the boreholes previously taken below this depth have disappointingly proved "dry".

The new record—broken, located in the Plaquemines Parish, South Louisiana, was taken to a total depth of 22,570 ft—equal to a height half as great again as the Matterhorn—before production tests began and it cost over \$2 million to complete. This would have been a formidable sum to write off as a loss if, as might easily have proved the case, the bore-hole had been found as "dry" as its other 20,000-ft-plus predecessors.

## Technical Problems

As recently as 1929 the deepest well was 9,221 ft. By 1956, this level had been improved to just over 15,000 ft—yet few petroleum engineers then would have predicted that within just over 20 years another 5,000 ft would have been added to the deep drilling record. Nevertheless, in 1949 the 20,000 ft level was reached and exceeded for the first time but without commercial production.

Deep drilling operations add tremendously to the technical problems attached to drilling programmes as well as to their attendant expense.

## Cool Bits

Metallurgists had to evolve special steel drill-pipes that would withstand the load imposed on them, while another problem arose through the terrific heat at the base of abnormally deep bore-holes.

Drilling bits are cooled by special chemically-compounded muds being pumped down the hollow lengths of drill-pipes which emerge immediately above the cutting edges of the bit.

But in some especially deep borings, the temperature at the base has been improved to just over 15,000 ft—yet few petroleum engineers then would have predicted that within just over 20 years another 5,000 ft would have been added to the deep drilling record. Nevertheless, in 1949 the 20,000 ft level was reached and exceeded for the first time but without commercial production.

Flashback: The initial "discovery" well of the modern international oil industry—completed in Pennsylvania in 1859—was only 69 ft deep!—London Express Service.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$400,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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## US FINANCIAL DOMINATION OF CANADA Cabinet Ministers Explain Govt Attitude

By John Bird

Ottawa, May 23.

Opposition, criticism that Canada is becoming subject to financial domination by the United States (China Mail, May 10) has led the Liberal Government to explain its own attitude to the country by means of important speeches from the two Cabinet Ministers principally involved.

Mr. C. D. Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce, chose for his platform the city of Hamilton where the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. George Drew, started this debate. For it was at Hamilton that Mr. Drew declared that Canadians would not be "heavers of wood, drawers of water and diggers of holes" for any foreign country, however friendly.

work for American overlords and "humiliating."

"We should be careful," Mr. Pearson said, "not to discourage (American) participation by ill-considered and unfriendly talk; we can't kill the goose, but she may decide to lay her golden eggs somewhere else."

For several years, Mr. Pearson said, Canadian savings have not equalled Canadian investment. "The deficiency has been made up by an inflow of capital from abroad, mainly from the United States. In 1955 this amounted to over 800,000,000 dollars but our total capital investment was over 6,000 millions. Unless we wish to invest more ourselves especially in speculative developments—as I hope we shall do—this capital investment by our neighbour, far from being unnecessary and dangerous, is of essential importance."

The governing passage in Mr. Howe's speech was: "I share the desire of Canadians to be free from dependence on large-scale imports of capital. As a member of the Canadian Government, I do all I can to help maintain favourable conditions for Canadian investors in the hope that one day we shall be able to look after all our capital requirements, if we choose to do so."

"The plain truth is, however, that Canadians have not generated enough savings to supply all the capital required for Canadian development in the post-war years. They have preferred to invest their savings in traditional fashion—Canadians are inclined to be cautious."

"Let us face the facts. Had it not been for the enterprise and capital from the United States, which has been so freely at our disposal, our development would have been slower and some of the spectacular projects of which we are so proud... would still be far in the future."

Opposition criticism has emphasised the complete domination of American capital in the field of petroleum and its increasing share in the entire mining and manufacturing industries.

Mr. Howe remarked that American capital and experience is to be "welcomed, not spurned" in the early stages of development.

Mr. Stuart had minimised the importance of the fact that many American companies do not offer stock in their Canadian subsidiaries by stressing that "the stock of many of the principal United States corporations having Canadian operations are listed on a stock exchange and Canadians can freely purchase an equity in such companies."

Mr. Howe, on the contrary, suggested that "in their own interest" companies with wholly-owned Canadian subsidiaries "would do well to invite Canadian participation, through stock ownership in the Canadian subsidiary."

In the upshot, this means that the mounting pressure for increasing Canadianisation of American subsidiaries will have some sympathy from the Federal Government, though not necessarily its backing.

Mr. Lester Pearson, Minister for External Affairs, who is usually regarded as remote from the cut-and-thrust of domestic politics, delivered a scathing denunciation of the critics in an important speech before the Canadian Club of Montreal.

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## WORLD COTTON MARKETS

New York, May 23.  
Cotton futures trading today became more two-sided in a less active market.

Independent firmness in old crop July contrasted with narrow irregular changes in succeeding deliveries.

At the close July ruled 2 points higher while the rest of the list was off 15 to 25 points. New Orleans closed 3 points higher.

Trade buyers and shorts, moving to cover in July on technical reasons, again found a lack of aggressive selling pressure.

In the new crop months traders moved in-and-out in a limited way while waiting for White House action on the farm bill. Uncertainty over Government policy on new cotton export contracts, the favourable tenor of crop news, blunted overall market interest.

Recent wide rallies and declines in the July delivery were coupled with uncertainty over the extent of any contact deliveries. Technicians reminded the spot month is the last month contract. Commencing with October, the base will be on middling one-inch cotton.

Open July contracts today totalled 230,000 bales. The certificated stock held at 12,460 bales.

The Agriculture Department authorised Chile to buy 37,500 bales of raw cotton, paying with their own currency.

Month Volume Open Interest

Month	Volume	Open Interest
July	39,000	220,000
Oct.	17,000	34,000
Dec.	8,000	40,000
Mar.	8,000	10,000
May	8,000	15,000
July	1,700	107,000
Oct.	200	14,000
Total	99,700	1,460,200 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	July	Oct.	Dec.	Mar.	May	July	Oct.
30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55
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30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55	30.55



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## Union Insurance Meeting

New Articles of Association to replace out-dated ones adopted in 1922 were approved by shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., this morning.

This meeting was preceded by the Society's ordinary yearly meeting at the new office in Alexandra House, when a vote of confidence in the directors was recorded. The Chairman, Mr. C. H. Baker, stated that the Society was in a satisfactory state of affairs and that the directors were working for the benefit of the shareholders.

### NEW APPOINTMENT

The resignation from the Board of Mr. J. H. Hume is recorded in the Report. He left the Colony in December to travel before taking up his new appointment in London. A decision to record our appreciation of the valuable advice and assistance which he has rendered during his Directorship and to wish him success in the future. Mr. G. M. Goldsack joined the Board and on your behalf I extend a warm welcome to him. I also have much pleasure in welcoming Mr. C. T. Tang who joined the Board when Mr. J. T. Flanagan proceeded on furlough earlier this year.

"With the modernising of the Central District of Hongkong and the replacement of many old style buildings, the Society has moved into these temporary quarters in this fine building, Alexandra House, pending the demolition and rebuilding of Union Building. We are already in consultation with the Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd. regarding the new Union Building so as to ensure that when we return there the design of the offices and our entrance to them will be fully in accordance with our requirements and easy of public access."

### VERY SATISFACTORY

"My Statement upon the Society's affairs, accompanying the Accounts dealt with matters mainly affecting our business in 1955. Your directors consider the Statement and Accounts very satisfactory particularly the Accounts and General Account in which the premium income has increased by over half a million pounds commensurate with the growth of the business. In this Account has been increased to a quarter of a million pounds by the transfer of £250,000 from Profit & Loss Account of the Society and two Subsidiary Companies. I have also mentioned in my Statement your Board's recommendation that a dividend of 10% be paid, making 22 1/2% for the year. This maintains the 1954 rate of dividend on the fully paid up capital of £1,500,000 which was increased from £1,250,000 in the year ended 31st December 1954. The Exchange & Investment Fluctuation Account shows a credit of £150,000 in Capital Account and also amounts written off our investments in conformity with our conservative policy of carrying the Book value of our investments at or below their market value. The main depreciation in investments has been in fixed interest securities, and it is a matter for satisfaction that the major part of our holdings are "data" so that almost the whole amount written off will be recovered on redemption."

### EXCHANGE LOSS

"There has also been some loss on Exchange in that the strengthening of the pound sterling during the year resulted in our substantial Canadian and United States dollar assets being valued at a lower rate than at the end of the previous year. The directors, however, are satisfied with the valuation of the assets and the valuation of the pound sterling. The directors have decided to recommend the adoption of new Articles of Association to replace those adopted in 1922 which are out-of-date in the light of modern legislation and present-day practice. A notice summoning an extraordinary general meeting to be held immediately after this meeting and at which the revised Articles will be submitted for approval, was posted to shareholders from Head Office and London Branch on May 11."

### STAFF MATTERS

"Turning to Staff matters, Mr. R. C. Langley who was General Manager for Australia for more than twenty-five years retired at the end of 1955 after 35 years' service with the Society, at which time many years of enjoyment in his retirement. "Once again it is my pleasure to thank the staff and all connected with the worldwide network of branches and offices of the Society's Group of Companies and the directors of them, for their excellent work, support and valuable assistance."

### BILL PASSED

Washington, May 23. The House of Representatives today approved the new farm bill already passed by the Senate, and sent it to President Eisenhower for his signature. The vote in the House was 305 to 99. The bill has been worked out by a joint Senate-House Committee to replace a farm bill voted by the President. France-Press.

## Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the above, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Details regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

**Thursday, May 24.**  
By Air:  
Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
U.S.A., 8 p.m.  
By Surface:  
Philippines, 3 p.m.  
Thailand, 4 p.m.  
Indonesia, 4 p.m.  
Japan, Hawaii, U.S.A., C. & S. America, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

**Friday, May 25.**  
Thailand, Burma, India, 8 a.m.  
Formosa, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, 11 a.m.  
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.  
Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
China, People's Republic, Middle East, Africa, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 8 p.m.  
By Surface:  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., 10.30 a.m.  
Philippines, New Guinea, Rabaul, 2 p.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

**Saturday, May 26.**  
Peking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kuming, 10 a.m.  
Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, Nauru, Philippines, 2 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 8 p.m.  
Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, Korea, 8 p.m.  
India-China, France, 8 p.m.  
By Surface:  
Formosa, U.S.A., 10.30 a.m.  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
Philippines, New Guinea, Rabaul, 2 p.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

**Sunday, May 27.**  
By Surface:  
China, People's Republic, 10.30 a.m.  
Formosa, U.S.A., 10.30 a.m.  
Philippines, New Guinea, Rabaul, 2 p.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

## Trans-Shipped Goods Illegally

(Continued from Page 1)

either his supplier in the United States or the Bureau, and contrary to the anti-diversion warning on the bill of lading. The Bureau said that Schriber defended his actions on the grounds that he had obtained a Foreign export licence to transship the goods to Hongkong. The Bureau contended, however, that that did not relieve him of his responsibility to abide by US export regulations.

The Bureau said that, in reducing the suspension period, it took into account the fact that Schriber promptly retrieved the first shipment from Hongkong at his own expense and co-operated with US authorities during their investigation of his activities.—United Press.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Henry! Don't get the children so excited just before bedtime!"



## Gen Loewen Leaves

The Commander-in-Chief Far East Land Forces, General Sir Charles Loewen, and his wife were seen-off at Queen's Pier this morning after a four-day visit.

It was the General's farewell visit to units stationed in the Colony as C-in-C because he will be relinquishing that post to take up another as Adjutant General, War Office, at the end of the year.

Sir Charles arrived at Queen's Pier accompanied by Lt. Gen. W. H. Stratton, Commander British Forces, Hongkong, soon after Lady Loewen, and inspected a 50-men Guard of Honour from the 15 Medium Regiment, RA. The Band of the King's Own Royal Regiment, under Bandmaster P. Russell, was in attendance.

On the pier were Mrs Stratton, Deputy Commander, Brig. Graham, Air Officer Commanding, Air Commodore A. D. Messenger and Mrs Messenger; Commander Hongkong and Kowloon, Brig. L. N. Cholmeley; Chief of Staff, Col. Leslie; and Officer in Charge Administration, Col. Steele-Baume.

General and Lady Loewen boarded the GOC's launch for Kai Tak with Lt. Gen. and Mrs Stratton after bidding farewell to the officers on the pier.

Pictures shown by staff photographer shows General Loewen (right) boarding the launch at Queen's Pier.

## Water Storage

The Water Authority announced that total storage in the Colony's reservoirs at 8 o'clock this (Thursday) morning was 1,200 million gallons. This represents a loss of 18 million gallons in the 24-hour period.

Consumption amounted to 29 million gallons and the yield from streams and catchwaters was eleven million gallons. Rainfall registered by the Water Authority was .03" at Tsim Sha Tsui, .03" at Aberdeen, .03" at Pokfulam and .03" at Shing Mun reservoirs.

## CHASED BY PC

A uniformed policeman gave chase. Ten minutes later, the police brought back the man in the white shirt and blue trousers. Witness identified the accused in the dock as being the man.

Giving evidence, Lok Tim said that shortly after 9 a.m. on March 9, he went out to order tea for the first witness who was having breakfast with the other occupants of the premises. He said that as he was descending the stairs, he noticed four men ascending. Lok said he was going for about five minutes.

On his return, Lok continued, he was caught by the hand by one stranger wearing spectacles who had a handkerchief covering his mouth. Lok also saw the accused standing beside him. Lok said that the strangers then asked him for the key to the safe. Witness said he told them the key was kept by the master who was out.

The strangers then pointed a gun at his back which witness said he felt, and searched him. Witness said that the man standing beside him on his return to the flat wore a white shirt and green, gaudy trousers. The man the police caught and brought back to the premises, after the strangers had left, wore blue coloured trousers.

Asked by His Lordship if he could distinguish green from blue, witness said he could and reiterated that the man the police brought back wore a

## STORY OF HOLD-UP AT BREAKFAST

Evidence that the accused and three other men broke into 19 Luard Road, second floor and held up its occupants at gun point while they were having breakfast was given before Mr Justice C. W. Reece and a jury of five men and two women at the Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court this morning.

The accused, Chung Shek-lai alias Chung Kwai, standing trial on a charge of assault with intent to rob, was not legally represented.

Senior Crown Counsel W. R. Blair-Kerr prosecuted. Shum Kee, in evidence told the court that he and other occupants were having their breakfast on the morning of March 9, this year, when two strangers entered his flat, 18 Luard Road, second floor. One of them produced a short fire arm. Pointing the weapon at the group, he said "I am sorry I cannot be fair to you."

Witness said he then saw a third man wearing a white shirt and blue trousers walking up and down the passage. REQUEST KEYS A few minutes later, Lok Tim, who had left the premises earlier, returned. The strangers then asked Lok for the keys to the safe. Lok did not produce them. Then a fold from a cooked food stall brought tea which had been ordered earlier by the witness. Witness said the food was admitted by the strangers but not allowed to leave.

When they had finished their breakfast, witness continued, the strangers herded everyone into the luggage room. Eventually they left, locking the gate after them. Witness said they (the occupants) then went out to the verandah. Witness said he then saw the man in white shirt and blue trousers running towards the west along Jaffe Road. He looked like the same person witness had noticed walking up and down the passage, but witness added that he could not recognise his face. Witness said they then shouted "Robbery! the one in the blue trousers."

Then a uniformed policeman gave chase. Ten minutes later, the police brought back the man in the white shirt and blue trousers. Witness identified the accused in the dock as being the man. Giving evidence, Lok Tim said that shortly after 9 a.m. on March 9, he went out to order tea for the first witness who was having breakfast with the other occupants of the premises. He said that as he was descending the stairs, he noticed four men ascending. Lok said he was going for about five minutes.

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different coloured trousers from the one in the premises. Hearing is continuing.

The Pyadaway, which is here for repairs, was due to leave within a week, but may be delayed if the strike continues. The strikers' spokesman said the crew, all Burmese, had agreed to pay the men their salaries, but was prevented from doing so by the Burmese Government.

The spokesman said the Burmese Government had instructed the Captain not to pay the men and had not given any reason for the order.

## Accused Denies Helping To Rob A Taxi-Driver

The first of three accused on trial at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of robbery with aggravation this morning denied taking part in robbing a taxi driver at North Point on March 19. Testifying on his own behalf before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg and a Jury of four men and three women, Lam Kim-fung alleged that he had been "framed" by the complainant.

The other two in the dock are Chan Kam-yan and Chan Ngai. Mr D. N. E. Ren, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting. The Crown alleged that the three men engaged the taxi in the Central District. When the car arrived at North Point, they allegedly attacked Leung Kwan, the driver, and robbed him of \$37.

First accused started his evidence by saying that the case was a "frame up" on the part of the complainant. He did not commit any robbery.

Lam said second accused was the brother of his wife. He worked with second accused at Tsun Wan. Some time before the incident, his wife left him. This annoyed him, so he moved into second accused's house at Yuen Long.

SEARCH FOR WIFE He personally took care of his children and awaited the return of his wife. Some four days before the alleged robbery he and second accused camped to Kowloon to search for his wife, but without success.

On the evening of March 18, Lam continued, second accused introduced third accused to him and said third accused had seen his wife somewhere in North Point.

He asked third accused to accompany him to the place where he had seen his wife. Third accused agreed. The three of them had dinner together. After that they had some drinks and he (first accused) became drunk. Lam said the three then crossed the harbour. They walked along the waterfront for a while. On one occasion he fell into the water, but was rescued. He changed his clothes and wrapped his wet clothing and other belongings in a parcel.

A SUGGESTION Shortly before midnight, third accused suggested that they go to North Point to look for first accused's wife. They were hailed by a taxi driver in Chater Road. Third accused took second accused aside and they had a conversation together. Second accused then told Lam to enter the taxi.

Everyone climbed in. Lam said third accused told the driver to go to North Point. When they had reached there, the driver was instructed to turn into a side road. Third accused pointed out a house and said that was the place where he had seen Lam's wife. Third accused stopped the taxi and suggested that Lam go up to the house, adding that he and second accused would shortly join him at the door.

He did as he was told, first accused went on. He waited outside the house for about 10 minutes. When second accused came, he went back to the car. Third accused then said something about going to see his mother. He instructed the driver to drive to Shauiwan. While passing the Shauiwan Police Station, the driver shouted out, "Robbery!"

Lam said he noticed third accused produce a knife. The driver jumped out of the moving taxi. Third accused also jumped out. He himself did not know what was happening. Second accused told him to get out, also.

He and second accused also jumped out. He followed second and third accused as they ran. The three went up a staircase. He asked third accused what was happening, continued Lam. Third accused replied, "Nothing, except that I beat up the opium smelter."

After some discussion, second and third accused went down the stairs. When he himself went down immediately afterwards, he saw a man talking to his two companions.

The man accused them of committing a robbery. He was accused by detectives who tried to make him confess his part in a robbery. Hearing is proceeding.



There will be one long playing record released by RCA Victor quite soon which will certainly appeal to a large proportion of the public.

In conjunction with the American magazine Melodisc the record company have organised a competition for its readers. The only thing they have to do is send in the name of the RCA record they like the most.

The nominated record must be a single item, either 45 rpm or 78 rpm, and with the vote for the particular piece must go a short reason for it being the favourite one.

When all the entries have been received the top twelve will be issued on a 12" long playing record and the best reason given for each selection will appear in the liner notes on the back of the cover. The persons submitting the twelve reasons will receive a collection of 25 albums of RCA jazz. The names of the 12 LPs is expected soon and it will be interesting to see which dozen tunes from the past have been selected.

## HEATH A HIT

Reports from America indicate that the recent Ted Heath visit, although not financially successful, was a hit all along the line. Various reasons have been advanced for the fact that Ted left the States a few dollars out of pocket but all take too long to explain here. It is quite certain that the reason was not lack of interest.

All the way along the Heath tour the critics lavished praise on the British band and a return visit is bound to be a success financially as well as building up more prestige for Ted and his records.

So yet another British band has made a hit in America. Now let us hope to see more of the very fine U.K. outfits paying their visit and proving that there are as many good bands in Britain as there are in America.

## RECORD REVIEW

"Sweet and Hot" (Decca 12" LP DL 8185) A collection of Ella Fitzgerald numbers, with four of the arrangements by Andre Previn standing out. A mixture of ballad and swing which provides a good way of listening to Ella's still among the best.

"The Southern Style" (Decca 12" LP DL 8178) Jeri Southern is building herself quite a reputation and on this LP we can see, or rather hear, why this girl sings the song all through with such a way doing a job. This disc should be heard by any singer with aspirations to top-flight standard. Jeri Southern makes quite a few of the stars of popular music sound dead, and quite a few more sound sloppy in comparison. Here is a collection of songs by a girl who can really sing.

## TAILPIECE

During the visit of the Los Angeles Philharmonic I was able to have a chat with some of the members of this fine orchestra and asked them the age-old question, "What do they, as classic musicians, think of jazz?" It will not, I think surprise you to learn that quite a few of them enjoy jazz and some of the younger members play it when the chance occurs.

One advanced, as a reason, the fact that in a symphony orchestra there is a deal of discipline and the notes are played from the score and the interpretation of any one part is controlled by the conductor. Therefore, a natural that a little jazz would come as a refreshing change allowing as it does free rein and all the ad-libbing a man could ask for.

I gathered that few of the about musicians take their jazz very seriously although they do feel that it is rather more meaningful than most non-jazz men admit.

## Britons Win Academy Prizes

New York, May 23. Miss Enid Bagnold, British playwright, and R. John Bogleman, British poet, today won awards for the best American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters. It was announced here.

Miss Bagnold, author of the recent Broadway success, "The Chalk Garden," received the Academy's award. Bogleman received the \$1,000 Russell Loines award for poetry.—China Mail Special.

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